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**SUSTAINABLE
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Sustainability Committee Meeting

October 12, 2011 at 11:00 AM

City Hall - City of Culver City

9770 Culver Boulevard, Culver City

Dan Patacchia Conference Room, 1st Floor

Free parking is provided off of Duquesne on level P-1

(PLEASE NOTE MEETING IS IN CULVER CITY)

AGENDA

I. Call to Order and Introductions

II. Update on Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS)

In December, SCAG is releasing the Draft 2012 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) for public review and comment. The RTP is a long-range transportation plan that is developed and updated by SCAG every four years. The RTP provides a vision for transportation investments throughout the region. This is the first plan that is required to meet new SB 375 requirements of reducing per capita greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions region-wide. SCAG staff will provide an update on the planning process and schedule. Mark Butala, SCAG's Comprehensive Planning Manager, will provide an update on the process.

III. Westside Cities Council of Governments Bicycle Planning

Staff of the Transportation and Sustainability Committees continues to work on the COG's Westside Bicycle Coordination Plan. The first draft sub-regional map of existing and proposed bicycle infrastructure has been developed. At its September meeting, the Board approved \$5000 to fund an intern position to assist staff to complete the program deliverables in a timely manner. METRO will provide a map template to use to provide them with details of the sub-regional map, (including points of interest), for inclusion in its spring mapping update. The Board approved the proposed policy framework for the Plan as follows:

- Improving bicycle infrastructure by identifying and prioritizing closure of gaps and "black holes." (Both inter and intra-regional gaps.)
- Coordinate gap closure programs implemented by member jurisdictions.
- Coordinate city practices and protocols (e.g., construction permit conditions, sign requirements, and identification of adequate detours for work in the public right-of-way) to ensure adequate accommodation for all road users whenever possible.
- Coordinate training and education programs for public, city and agency staff.
- Identification of "best practice" examples tailored to Westside needs, focusing on amenities and training, and basing a safety awareness program on existing resources and existing bicycle plans of member jurisdictions, thus avoiding "re-inventing the wheel".
- Consideration of development of a regional cyclist "count" when funding is available as this would be a strong foundation for grant applications.
- Coordination between cities to develop more consistent signage/markings, including "way finding" signage to assist cyclists in navigating between infrastructure gaps.

IV. Energy Upgrade California - Energize the Westside

Staff of O'Rourke presented the details of the Energize the Westside marketing outreach program that was developed with member jurisdictions' staff and complies with the County and Federal grant requirements. The program "kick-off" was on September 19, 2011. The outreach program will increase awareness among residents of the Westside of the Energy Upgrade program by positioning the process as an easy and affordable way to create a comfortable and cost-efficient home. An update on PACE loans will also be provided.

V. Work Plan Evaluation

In 2011, two Ad Hoc Committees were created increasing staff commitment to COG programming. The work program content needs to be evaluated and prioritized to ensure staff time is being committed to projects that are the COG Board's highest priorities. The outcome of the evaluation will be presented to the Board at its November 17, 2011 meeting.

VII. Receive and File and Direction
June 8, 2011 Draft Meeting Notes

VIII. Public Comment on Items NOT on the Agenda

IX. Announcements and Future Meeting Agenda Items

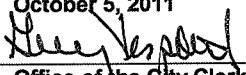
X. Adjournment: Next meeting is scheduled to take place on December 14, 2011. Location TBD.

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